

**1988 CABERNET SAUVIGNON  
STAGS LEAP DISTRICT**

**Technical Information**

<b>Harvest dates:</b>	September 20 to October 6
<b>Varietal composition:</b>	96.5 percent Cabernet Sauvignon 3.5 percent Merlot
<b>Appellation:</b>	Stags Leap District
<b>Bottling date:</b>	May 1990
<b>Release date:</b>	November 1, 1990
<b>Analysis:</b>	Alcohol 13.3 percent, pH 3.51, total acidity 0.68

Our 1988 Cabernet Sauvignon developed its berry character while in the barrel, but magic happened after it was blended with a small portion of Merlot. The wine's color deepened and the flavor became fuller and richer. It also enhanced our classically firm structure while adding suppleness.

This vintage is not as fat as the 1987 but will last and improve upon its cedar and tobacco notes and deep, ripe fruit character. It is quite typical of the fine Cabernet Sauvignons made from the Stags Leap District.